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Message:

Dear Examiner Jaroenchonwanit:

Per my telephone message today, I attach a draft Response to the Office Action mailed 28 November 2003, for your review.

Please telephone me directly at (720) 931-3011 to discuss this case, in particular the claim amendments and timing for an in-person interview. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Curtis A. Vock

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**ATTN: FEE AMENDMENT
Commissioner for Patents
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450****AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

Sir:

Responsive to the non-final Office Action mailed 28 November 2003, Applicants provide the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 5 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.